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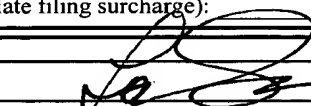
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Applicant(s): Allen McTeer

Invention: METHOD OF FORMING AN INTERCONNECT STRUCTURE FOR A SEMICONDUCTOR
DEVICE**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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INTERCONNECT STRUCTURE FOR A
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Examiner: J. M. Kennedy

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated January 26, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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